CHECKS IT HAS RECEIVED AT THE

HANDS OF THE COMMONS. The Long Parliament Put the Peers Out of Business Altogether For a Number of Years - Bolingbroke's

Way With the Noble Lords. There is an idea in the minds of very many persons that the British house of lords is supreme and can do pretty well what it pleases. This, however, is a mistake. On several notable occasions their noble lordships have been paraworst of it in stormy arguments with the gentlemen of the house of com-

The first occasion on which this happened was when the peers ventured to differ with the long parliament, which sweetness of character and a poise and was at the time engaged in a life and death struggle with Charles I. The commons on this occasion wasted no valuable time in talking, but promptly abolished the lords altogether turned them, archbishops, dukes, belted carls and all the rest of the gorcoroneted crowd, into the street. The gilded chamber was vacant.

For half a dozen years or so the country got on without any house of

All the checks the house of lords have received have not been of such a drastic nature as this, of course. Various ministries, finding that the

peers were unwilling to pass their proposed bills, have resorted to the threat to create enough new peers to swamp the house of lords. These new peers would, of course, have been pledged beforehand to vote for the ministry creating them.
In 1711 the prime minister of the

day, the daring and unscrupulous Viscount Bollugbroke, was anxious to terminate the desolating and ruinous war with France, which had been raging on and off for twenty years.

To effect this purpose he had drawn up the treaty of Utrecht. It was necessary at that time that lords and commous should agree to a treaty before It would become valid. The commons assented to the treaty, but the lords declared that they would have none of it and that the war must go on, whereupon Bolingbroke coolly but firmly informed them that, rather than see himself defied by them, he would create a whole army of new peers to vote for the treaty. The story goes that he had a regi-

ment of the Life guards paraded under the windows of the house of lords and threatened to make every trooper into a noble lord if driven to it. He did make twelve new peers, and then the lords gave in. The Liberal government of 1832, with

same threat. They wished to pass the first reform bill. The lords hated this bill bitterly Until then they had been practically

an oligarchy, with all the real power in their hands. The franchise had been so limited that only rich men, and generally only the nominee of some great nobleman, could get into parliament. The reform bill altered that. It gave the smaller men a chance. The lords expressed their deliberate intention of

wrecking the bill. Earl Grey retorted by extorting from King William IV.-who didn't like re form bills, but dared not oppose the wish of the nation for fear of a revolution-permission to call up to the house of lords as many new peers as

should be necessary to carry his bill. The mere threat was enough for the lords. They had no wish to see their order made cheap and ridiculous, as would have been the case had peers become as plentiful as blackberries.

to be purchased. That is, an officer, instead of getting into the army by means of a competitive examination and rising by merit, came straight from school, without knowing anything of the new duties he was about to assume, and had a commission bought | Middle West," in Outing Magazine. for him. After that, instead of being promoted as a reward for his services, he used to buy each promotion.

If he had no money his chances of being promoted were about a thousand The result was that officers who had grown gray in the service and fought in many battles remained subordinates all their lives, while the sons of wealthy families who had not seen a quarter of their service jumped over their heads by having their way purchased up for them to be colonels and

Mr. Gladstone decided to do away with this purchase system. The lords did not wish it to be abolished. Consequently, when Mr. Gladstone introduced a bill to abolish purchase in the army the house of lords was not disposed to give it a kind reception. They threw out the bill and imagined

that they had won a glorious victory. But Mr. Gladstone found that Queen Victoria had the power to abolish purchase in the army by her own act if she pleased. He induced the queen to do this by means of a royal warrant. And the house of lords could no more interfere with a royal warrant than they could knock the dome off St. Paul's by throwing their coronets at it. -Pearson's London Weekly.

Man and Woman.

"Man, composed of clay, is silent and ponderous," preached Jean Raulin in the fifteenth century, "but woman gives evidence of her osseous origin by of earth and it makes no noise; touch a bag of bones and you are deafened with the clitter clatter." - London Chronicle.

The laws of conscience which we pretend are derived from nature proceed from nature.-Montaigne.

Puccini, the famous Italian composer and author of "La Boheme," employs many musical instruments not known in this country in his latest work, "Madam Butterfly." A new instrument called the celeste is to be used for the first time in America. It is made in London and consists of a series of bells in two octaves of the chromatic scale, tuned to normal pitch, with a keyboard similar to that of a plane and played like it. There is also a double set of tympani in sets of three tambours. A viola di gamba and a viola di amore were employed not long ago by Charles Loeffler of B. on Symphony fame in his symphonic poem, "The Death of Tintaglies." He used it in an obligato with the orchestra. Both of these instruments are obsolete as far as general use is concerned, but Puccini has revived them. There are said to be only two viola di amores in America. The celeste is strictly a modern instrument and was used first

character dances of old France.

THE DUTY OF HAPPINESS.

Keep Your Face to the Sunlight and Smile Through Your Tears. I know an old man who has had a great deal of trouble and many losses and misfortunes, but he started out in life with a firm determination to exfrom it as he went along as possiblenot in dissipation, but in wholesome recreation and fun. He has always tried to see the humorous side of things, the bright side and the duty of

The result is that, although this man has had more than his share of sorrow lyzed and have got very much the in his career, he has developed the inestimable faculty of making the best of every situation and of always facing the sun and turning his back to the shadows. This life habit of cheerfulserenity of mind which are the envy of all who know him. Although he has lost his property and the most of his family and relatives, yet he radiates sunshine and helpfulness wherever he

A man who can laugh outside when he is crying inside, who can smile when he feels badly, has a great accomplishment. We all love the one who believes the sun shines when he cannot see It.

A potted rose in a window will turn its face away from the darkness toward the light. Turn it as often as you will, it always turns away from the darkness and lifts its face upward toward the sun. So we instinctively shrink from cold,

melancholy, inky natures and turn our faces toward the bright, the cheerful and the sunshiny. There is more virtue in one sunbeam than in a whole atmosphere of cloud and gloom.

Your ability to carry your own sunshine with you, your own lubricant, your own light, so that, no matter how heavy the load or dark the way, you will be equal to the emergency, will measure your ability to continue and to achieve.-Success.

#### A FRIEND.

A harbor of refuge from the stormy waves of adversity.

A balancing pole to him who walks across the tight rope of life. A watch which beats true for all time and never "runs down."

A permanent fortification when one's affairs are in a state of siege. The first person who comes in when the whole world has gone out.

One who loves the truth and you and will tell the truth in spite of you. The triple alliance of the three great powers-love, sympathy and help.

One who multiplies joys, divides Earl Grey as prime minister, used the griefs and whose honesty is inviolable, A jewel whose luster the strong acids of poverty and misfortune cannot dim. One who combines for you alike the

pleasures and benefits of society and solitude. A bank of credit on which we can

sympathy, help and love. One who considers my need before

Competition. How Clark Received the Gift.

Broken by ill health and bowed down private life in bitterness of soul and bones of their own. As for the imporpassed his remaining twenty-three tant bones, they were beyond the reach knowledged his great services and sent him. In the library you will see on him a jeweled sword. The old hero's returning a parietal bone and taking It used to be the custom in the Brit- anger was aroused. "When Virginia out a sternum, another exchanging a ish army for all officers' commissions needed a sword I gave her one," he exclaimed to the messenger. sends me this toy. I want bread." And -New York Press. he thrust the blade of the costly gift into the ground and broke it at the hilt, -Lyman Tew Sprague, in "George Roberts Clark and His Conquest of the

The Joke Maker. "The way I learned my trade," said the man who makes jokes for a living, "was to take advantage of every little thing that happened to come along. Whatever it might be, sad or gay, seriit. At first they were very poor, but after a great deal of labor I found my the march. We didn't suppose it would ous or merry, I squeezed a joke out of brand of humor improving. True, I often made my best friends my deadly enemies and turned every man's hand against me on more than one occasion, but at last I triumphed. I won't tell you what my salary is-you may not believe me. But you can take my word for it, young man, that there's money in making jokes."-New York

His Specialty.

Young Foley looked so downcast that the market man asked why he carried such a long face.

"Fired," returned Foley concisely. "Fired?" repeated the market man. Give you any reason for doing it?" "Yep," Foley said, with the air of a martyr. "The boss said he was losing money on the things I was making." "Is that so? What were you mak-

"Mistakes."

A Remarkable Experiment. Professor Arsonval of the French Academy of Sciences has made a rethe rattle she keeps up. Move a sack port of the result of a remarkable experiment by Dr. Stephan Leduc Nantes. Dr. Leduc has succeeded in producing a plant in an artificial way. The "seed grain" is a pill about one millimeter in circumference and consists of one part of sulphate of copper and two parts of glucose. The pill is placed in a gelatin solution containing | darker type. 3 per cent of ferrocyancalium and a small quantity of salts, such as are found in sea water. The plant that develops is a kind of sea weed. Some of these artificially produced speciment attain a length of forty-five centimeters. These plants are subject to the same influences as are the natural appears in English far more often than ones, such as the sun, etc., but they

cannot propagate. An Ancient Abbey Burned. The beautiful abbey of St. Germain and St. Mary at Selby, Yorkshire, was almost entirely destroyed by fire a few weeks ago. Portions of the building dated from 1096. Its architecture, owing to additions at various periods, was of many styles, but the nave and choir were among the most beautiful and perfect specimens of Norman architecture in England. The local fire brigade found that the fire had gained a strong recently installed at a cost of \$6,000. Their efforts had hardly any effect ou the fire, which, having destroyed the

the seasoned oak timbers.

FACTS ABOUT SOAP.

Chemical Properties of the "Rapid

Washer" Variety. That those who buy soap by weigh choose dry and hard kinds to avoid purchasing water is advised by a correspondent quoted in the Lancet. This tract just as much real enjoyment writer, a well known English physician, says that while investigating expenditures at a large London hospital he found that a large quantity of soft soap was being used and that as this contained a considerable percentage of water the institution was paying a very high price both for water and for soap. To quote the Lancet's article:

"He suggests that the best and most mical scap for the purpose is dry soap powder, especially when used in conjunction with a water softener or with borax. Forty tons or so of soft soap, he adds, were used some little time ago at the launch of a new Cunarder, 'but they who manage such things would never think of paying the price hospitals pay, nor do railway companies or hotels."

An eminent firm of soapmakers also writes to the same paper that old fashtoned soap made with tallow is much superior to that now generally used. To quote again:

"It would appear that in order to make an oil soap hard enough to form a bar it is necessary to introduce into It a large proportion of cocoanut oil or palm kernel oil. These two oils hitherto have formed the basis of the so called 'rapid washer soaps.' Cocoanut or palm kernel olls absorb a much larger percentage of caustic alkali than does tallow, and so it is evident that the rapid detergent properties of these soaps are due principally to the excess of chemicals which they contain. 'It seems to us, therefore, time to send a warning note to the public to induce them to return to the good old fashioned soaps of their fathers-soaps which washed but did not destroy the clothes or irritate the skin, and, although it is claimed that the oil soaps can be used with less labor, their destructive properties should not be lost sight of. While on this subject we should like to ask why the most refined of all soaps-namely, olive oil soap-unless it is specially asked for, is hardly ever supplied to the public. One difficulty at least will very shortly have to be faced by the soapmakers who employ cocoanut oil and palm kernel oil for the preparation of the rapid cleansing variety of soaps, and that is that these olls are being very largely used for edible purposes, and there can be little doubt that modern ingenuity is such that they even masquerade as butter. It is probable, therefore, that this fact will tend to raise the price of these oils unless a cheaper substitute is found. Such a substitute has not yet been dis covered."-Literary Digest.

Students in one of the New York hospitals are preparing to start a bone library, modeled on one they have in Paris. From now on by paying \$3 a year a student may take out two bones draw supplies of confidence, counsel, at a time from any portion of the human frame.

"It is a good idea, this bone library," my deservings .- London Tit-Bits' Prize said one of the students. "In the past you had to buy your bones if you wanted to study them, and they were ex-pensive, for the cleaning and bleaching processes are tedious and costly. Hence by disappointment, Clark retired to many students of anatomy had no years of crapulous existence in obscur- of nearly all. A good skull, you know, ity and poverty. Friends called atten- costs \$30 or \$40. A good skeleton costs tion to Clark's sad condition a few \$75 and more. But with a bone library years before he died, and the legisla- every student may work on his osteoloture of Virginia grandiloquently ac- gy with the bones right there before back a tibla and carting off a clavicio

> It Would Make Any One Angry. "Speaking of incidents, I saw a few in the four years I spent in the Union army during the civil war," said a veteran living at Bucklin, Mo.

"One time in Georgia myself and another man dug about a bushel of sweet potatoes while on the march, expecting to cook them when we camped about a half mile farther on. 'Grub' was pretty scarce in those days, and we valued those sweet potatoes pretty highly. be much farther, as it was already almost night, so we carried the sweet potatoes on a stick between us. We marched and marched and marched, and, oh, but those potatoes grew heavy! Six miles from where we dug the potatoes we pitched camp. Oh, but it makes me mad every time I think of

"Naturally," was the remark. "Yes, naturally, seeing that we camped right on a great big field of sweet potatoes."-Kansas City Star.

Blue Blood.

In the "Zeitschrift Fur Deutsche Wortforschung" R. F. Arnold recently called attention to a verification of the origin of the well known term "blue blood." In Goethe's preface to the German translation of Salvandy's French novel, "Alongo" (1825) occurs the following passage, "A man of so red and even so blue blood as mine," to which the author adds the explanatory note, "In some parts of Spain, especially in the kingdom of Valencia, the aristocracy is divided into different classes, according to the color of the yellow, red and blue blood." In the opinion of the "Politische Anthropologische Revue," the "blue blood" refers to the bluish blood shining through the veins of the skin that distinguished the hidalgos, the Spanish nobility of German descent, from the red and yellow blooded native—that is, the

Anglicized French.

For two centuries we have been cry ing "Encore!" at the end of a song, where a Frenchman never says it, his own equivalent for it strangely being the Latin "Bis!" And "on the tapis" in French, and misunderstood at that, since it does not mean "on the carpet," but on the tablecloth of the counc table for discussion.-London Chroni

Both Satisfied. "I should like to break it off, but I can't bear to give up this diamond

"Then why don't you tell him so? He told me he'd be willing to lose the ring if he could get out of the engagement"-Sketchy Bits.

He Might Succeed. Professional Humorist - Wit should never seem forced. Now, I never try to be funny. His Vis-a-vis-Oh, but in Tschalkowsky's "Casse Voisette" organ, rose to the roof of the choir and you should, Mr. Woodshine! One new ("The Nuteracker"), a series of six spread with remarkable rapidity among er knows what one can do till one tries organ, rose to the roof of the choir and you should, Mr. Woodshine! One nev--Puck.

ALMANACH DE GOTHA.

mons Institution. The Almanach de Gotha is more than and more international appeal than any now prodigally wasted in destroying other annual of reference in the world. the world's beauty, will be saved. It is to Europe what Burke and Debrett and the other peerages are to the British isles, and it is also the lineal ancestor and model of such topical encyclopedias as our Whittaker, our Hazell and our Statesman's Yearbook. A political and social history of the world for the last 150 years could be written from its back numbers if these were readily accessible to students. But they are not. The Almanach de Gotha began to appear in 1763, but the purchasers did not file it for reference. The earliest numbers in the British museum are those for 1774 parts of the publication, they restrict and 1783, and a complete set can be consulted nowhere except in the editorial office in Friedrich's Allee in the little Thuringian capital. Probably not one in ten thousand of those who currently use the almanac has any knowl-

edge of its interesting history. It had of course its predecessors. The bibliographies of almanacs are alone as many as seventy-three almanacs were published in the year 1760, including a royal almanac, an almanac for merchants, an almanac for Freemasons, an almanac of beasts, an al-Gotha itself had its own almanac from a still earlier date in the shape of an is lost in the mist of antiquity, though a copy dated 1740 survives .- Francis Gribble in Scribner's.

A FEAT OF MEMORY.

Zangwill's Knowledge of the Famous Trials of History.

As an indication of the quality of Zangwill's mental processes I may relate an incident that occurred while we were producing "The Children of the Ghetto." Mr. Zangwill was seated in my office, and we were going over some of the details of the play. It was the day that Labori, intimately connected with the Dreyfus case in Paris, was assassinated. Knowing that Zangwill had intimate knowledge of the case, a New York newspaper sent a porter entered and after conveying the carefully studied the subject of health

call to mind for our paper."

will have it ready." newspaper man. "We want to print it in our paper tomorrow morning." sudden and acute attacks of cold, cain our paper tomorrow morning." "But you surely don't expect me to quote you dates and facts out of my

you?" asked Mr. Zangwill in astonishment. "Such a thing is out of reason." can make use of it," replied the newspaper man firmly. Mr. Zangwill thought stantly recurring in those who have a moment and then asked if he could have my stenographer for a short time. tated to him then and there a two column resume of all the famous trials of history, from Savonarola down, and

Tyler, in Bohemian.

"Mothers and nurses have devised as nothing less than a misfortune to and invented many ways of procuring obedience and correct behavior from their little charges," said a park police man. "The familiar 'bogy man' is still employed, but the times change and the people with them. The last fine day, when the park was filled with man leading an irrepressible youngster, after making all sorts of threats and promises without effect, said, 'Child, child, you give me wrinkles under my

eyes!" "-New York Press. A way to cure a bad habit is thus explained by the Rev. Samuel McComb of "man's best friend," the dog.-New in the New York World: If you have York Herald. a habit you wish to get rid of put your mind upon it after going to bed. Resolve to discard that habit at the moment you are lapsing from semiconsciousness into complete unconscious ness. Repeat the operation several nights, several weeks if necessary, and cure will follow, provided that the day after the first night the experiment is started you obey the impulse that will come on you to avoid the accustomed

A Considerate Actress. A doctor saw Julia Marlowe as Juliet one night in Pittsburg and was tremendously impressed. Only in the powerful death scene there was a technical error. "Miss Marlowe," the doctor said at a reception the next day, "I admired your Juliet profoundly. The impersonation was a work of art. But, pardon me, don't you know that a corpse doesn't stiffen for at least six hours after death?" Miss Marlowe answered in the drawl that she reserves for such speeches, "Now, doctor, do you think I'm going to keep my audiences waiting six hours for me to stiffen?"

Schoolboy's Essny on Henry VIII. Henry VIII. was a frequent widower, conceited, cunning, cruel and corpu lent. He burned the pope's bull in effi gy, beheaded his best friends, made himself defender of the faith by a Latin law and had an inordinate ambition and an ulcer in his leg. Henry sternly denied the validity of the proud pope of Roam and at last, worn out by an internal discord, died more in sorrow than in anger.-Harper's Weekly.

Same Trouble Everywhere We have a brother in our church who elonged to several other denomina tions before he came to us, and he tells us they have the same trouble every

where-impossible to get a \$2,000 preacher for \$750 a year. - Osborne (Kan.) Farmer. Hereditary.

"Yes: it is hereditary." "I never heard that his father was football player.' "He isn't, but he is a chronic kicker." -Houston Post.

"Your son is a great football play

Paying honest debts promptly and cheerfully is a virtue of manhood appreciated by every one,-Newark (Ark) miss is a new blessing.-Walton.

ADVERTISING AN ART.

History of This Old and World Fa- But It Should Be Made an Art That Calls Beauty to Its Service. Advertising has indeed become an an almanac. It is an institution. art. It remains for it to become, if not Bravely arrayed in red and gold, it lies a fine art, at least an art that calls on the table of every diplomatist, is in beauty to its service. When it does, constant request in the newspaper of- much of the energy that is now misfices of all countries and makes a wider directed, much of the money that is

The right procedure is indicated by the most conspicuous medium for pub lic advertising. The press, in its daily, weekly or monthly forms, offers alto-gether the best means for calling public attention to all sorts of things. The best of public journals-those which are recognized as the most desirable mediums for advertising and which consequently obtain the highest prices for their services-make it a rule to classify and restrict in a judicious manner the advertisements that they print. They confine them to certain their display to certain decorous style of type, recognizing that to admit a helter skelter distribution through all columns or to display them in incoher-ent fashion according to the whims of the advertisers would largely destroy the very objects held in view. The readers of these journals would resent the intrusion of advertising matter into the space set apart for news, edi-

In the same way the forms of advertising that now give exceeding offense to the community ought to be restricted and kept within proper limmanac of badinage, etc. The city of its. If this were effected the practice would change from the public nuls ance that it now is to a function that in a considerable degree, might couple "improved Gotha genealogical and in a considerable degree, might couple writing calendar," the origin of which genuine service to the public with a writing calendar," presentation of its material in an interesting and even esthetically attractive fashlon.-Sylvester Baxter in Cen-

WEARING A WIG.

A Help to the Health of Those With Bald Heads.

An eminent American who while in Paris consulted a famous physician of that city to ascertain if there was any remedy for baldness was told by the doctor that the best thing to do was to wear a toupee or wig. The American said that he always regarded the wearing of a wig as an evidence of a man's vanity, but he was quite surprised when the French physician replied: "You are quite mistaken. The wearing of a wig is regarded by those who have from any cause has lost a good part of history of all the famous trials you can his hair usually loses it some time after middle life, when his vitality begins "Indeed?" said Mr. Zangwill, "I to ebb. You must bear in mind that the think I can prepare that for you. Come scalp is filled with myriads of blood to see me in three or four days, and I vessels, and when it is exposed without the covering that nature intended "We want it now," objected the to give it a man is apt to suffer from scribed the wearing of a toupee or wig to a patient who has come to me commind on the spur of the moment, do plaining of his susceptibility to colds, and in nine cases out of ten after the wig has been worn the susceptibility "I'm sorry, but it's the only way we has ceased at once. Many cases of lost their hair and who have provided no substitute for nature's covering. Some cases of chronic sore throat are berculosis of the lungs in the early stages have found decided protection torical feature connected with each.—

From "Israel Zangwill," by George C.

Who need to wear a wig and will not vanity rather than those who, accepting the inevitable, make the best of

Children and Dogs

any man or woman."-Leslie's Weekly

The child who is taught to love animals and to have a dog as a companion is introduced to a friend of the truest and best kind-the kind of friendsh way of appealing to the love or fear of that lasts. Have you never had a dog? a child. A stylishly dressed young wo- Then you don't know what pleasure can be had in his companionship in rambles, in his quiet presence in your room, his unobtrusiveness when human company would bore you; a "chum" who always adapts himself to your mood when man or woman would jar upon you. By all means cultivate in children a love of animals, especially

'Sdeath! He (excitedly)-I tell you the hand some dress that millionaire's wife is wearing was paid for by blood money. She (calmly)-Ah, that accounts for the gore in the skirt!-Baltimore Amer-

The Little Pitcher. Said Edith to her doll: "There, don't answer me back. You mustn't be saucy no matter how hateful I am. You must remember I am your mother!

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Beat a boy out of a dime and the crime will never outlaw. Comparison may not be a detraction, but it is certainly a half sister. The truth with unselfish people is they are liable to brag about it. There is only one way in this world to get your own way-insist upon it. Almost any defense would be all right if you could make people belleve It.

It is just as dangerous to tell some a secret as it is to fool with a loaded gun. When a man submits to a procession

wedding the other men look at him the way boys look at a boy whose mother makes him wear long curls. The man who has made a failure in any line of business never has a very good opinion of the man who started in the same line at the same time and made it a success.-Atchison Globe.

The Bad Place. "What! Fishing on the Sabbath?" exclaimed the clergyman reprovingly. "Don't you know that little boys who fish on the Sabbath go to the bad place?"

"Huh, I guess dat's right," replied the bad boy disgustedly. "I couldn't 'a struck no worse place dan dis."-Phila delphia Press.

Decorated.

Hubby-My pet, you will pardon me, but aren't these griddle cakes a little burned? Wifey (almost in tears)-Oh, Tom, and I tried to make them so pretty for you with that pyrograph set you gave me!-Beston Transcript.

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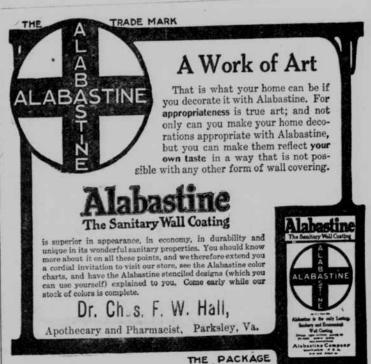
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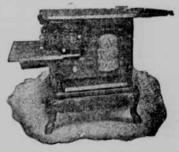
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Given under my hand this 1st day

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